

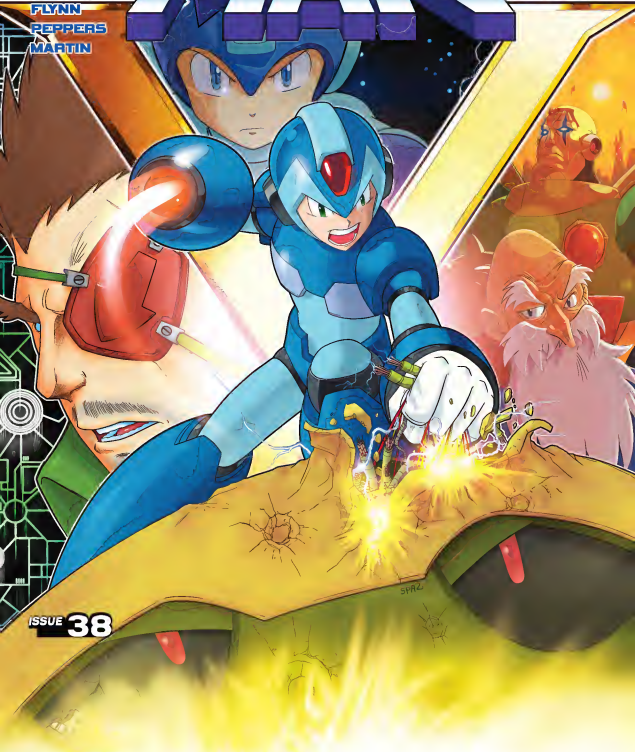
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REPPERS
MARTIN

MEGA MAN



ISSUE **38**

IN THE YEAR 20XX, A SUPER ROBOT NAMED MEGA MAN HAS PLEDGED TO PROTECT THE WORLD AND DEFEAT THE FORCES OF EVIL!

100 YEARS IN THE FUTURE, A SUPER ROBOT NAMED X WORKS ALONGSIDE THE MAVERICK HUNTERS TO PRESERVE PEACE BETWEEN ROBOT AND HUMANKIND!



PREVIOUSLY...

In the Present...

Dr. Wily has been cleared of all wrongdoing, and now works with Mega Man to track down eight supposedly rogue Robot Masters and the powerful Energy Elements they stole. Mega Man was sent to investigate an old weapons lab of Dr. Wily's to see if the Robot Masters were hiding there, but found something far worse...



In the Future...

One hundred years later, man and machine coexist as humans and Reploids work side-by-side. X, Dr. Light's final creation, calls upon his friend Dr. Cain at an archaeological dig site - the remains of the very same weapons lab Mega Man was sent to investigate! In the rubble, they find the remains of a terrible creation...



CHARACTER SELECT



MEGA MAN
DR. LIGHT'S ROBOT "SON"



PHARAOH MAN & BRIGHT MAN
DR. COSSACK'S ROBOTS



X
THE FIRST LIVING ROBOT



ZERO & VILE
ELITE MAVERICK HUNTERS

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MESA DIG SITE.
YEAR: 21XX.

LOOK AT THE *SIZE*
OF THIS THING...IS IT
SOME KIND OF ANCIENT
MECHANOLOID?

THAT WOULD BE MY
FIRST GUESS, BUT
WE'VE GOT TO UNEARTH
IT FIRST--HOHO!

X
PRECURSOR
TO THE
REPLOID RACE

DR. CAIN
X'S DISCOVERER
AND INVENTOR OF
THE REPLOIDS

WHO KNOWS WHAT
OTHER DISCOVERIES
ARE WAITING UNDER
ALL THIS ROCK?

DAWN
OF X

Part 2:
THE HUNTERS
AND THE HUNTED



INCREDIBLE!
IF THE SAMPLES
FROM THE REST OF
THE DIG SITE ARE
ACCURATE, THAT
COULD HAVE BEEN
RUNNING FOR A
HUNDRED YEARS!

NOT FOR MUCH
LONGER, I'D
WAGER. I THINK
ITS POWER CELL
IS NEARLY SPENT.



➤ARK! X, THE
EVIDENCE POINTS TO
THIS BEING A ➤GRK! X
RESEARCH LAB. I
SINCERELY DOUBT
➤ARK! X THEY BUILT A
WEAPON AND DROPPED
IT DOWN A HOLE.

CAREFUL, YOU DON'T
WANT TO BREAK SOME-
THING OR SET OFF SOME
ANCIENT WEAPON
SYSTEM.

I JUST WANT TO
RECOVER DATA
➤GRK! X STORED ON
THIS THING BEFORE
IT LOSES POWER!

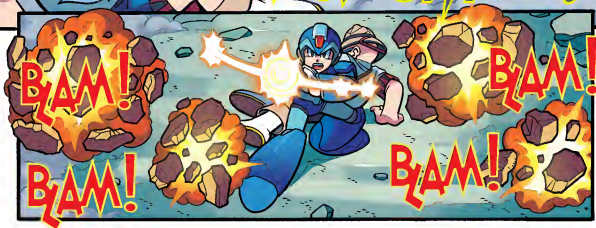
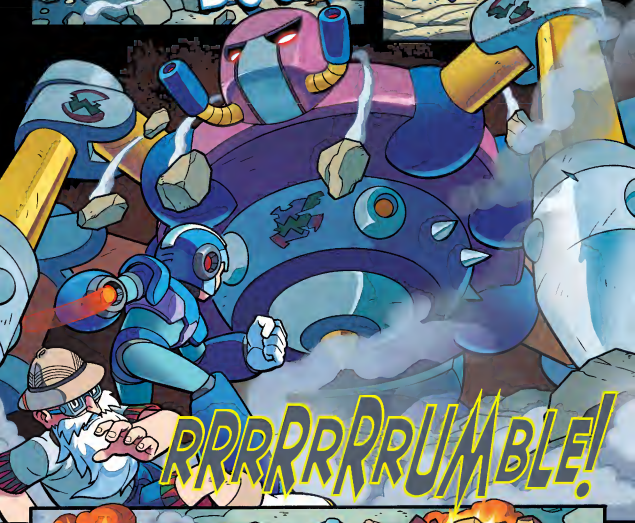


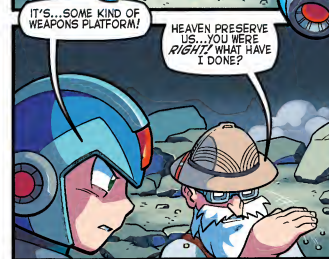
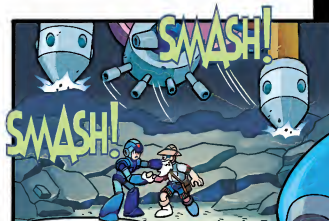
THERE!
LET'S HURRY THIS
UP TO--

CLUNK!
RRRRRRRUMBLE!



SHATTER!





IT'S...SOME KIND OF
WEAPONS PLATFORM!

HEAVEN PRESERVE
US...YOU WERE
RIGHT! WHAT HAVE
I DONE?



X! IT'S HEADING
TO THE SURFACE!
MY DIG TEAM! THE
*TOURISTS OUT-
SIDE!*



I KNOW. I'LL TRY TO
SLOW IT DOWN. YOU GET IN
TOUCH WITH HUNTER HQ
AND GET THEM TO SEND
SOMEONE!

Y-YES. I'LL STAY HERE
AND DO THAT. MAYBE I
CAN FIND A WAY TO STOP
IT AMID THE RELICS...

...NOW
GO, X...

"...GO AND
SAVE THOSE
LIVES!"



REEEEEEEEEEEE

WHOA!
SAMANTHA,
RIGHT?
ARE YOU
HURT?

N-NO!
I-I-
I....!

WE NEED TO
GET EVERYONE
OUT OF HERE!

I PULLED THE EMERGENCY
ALARM AS SOON AS THAT--
THING!--CAME OUT OF THE
GROUND!

PERFECT! THE
TOURISTS SHOULD
ALREADY BE
EVACUATING--

АHHHH!

RUN!

HELP!

MAVERICK!

"--BEFORE ANYONE GETS HURT!"

FRT GUN: OFFLINE
SR CHEM: OFFLINE
BTM GUN: **ONLINE**
LR CHEM: **ONLINE**
REAR GUN 1: **ONLINE**
REAR GUN 2: OFFLINE
REAR GUN 3: **ONLINE**
REAR GUN 4: OFFLINE
REAR GUN 5: OFFLINE
REAR GUN 6: **ONLINE**
REAR GUN 7: **ONLINE**

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>>ANALYZING...>>EXIT SIZE: INCOMPATIBLE>>RECTIFYING
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REEEEEEK!

REEEEEEEEEEEEEEK!



BAM!
BAM!
BAM!

KRA-KOOW!

≡ HUFF ≡
DOCTOR GAIN?
TELL HUNTER HQ
THAT THIS THING
DOESN'T SEEM
INTERESTED
IN THE
TOURISTS...

AUGH!

...IT'S HEADING
STRAIGHT FOR
THE CITY!

IF WE DON'T STOP IT,
I'LL NEVER FORGIVE
MYSELF...

DID YOU
GET ALL THAT,
SIGMA?

MAVERICK
HUNTER HQ...

AFFIRMATIVE, DR. CAIN. SEE IF
THERE'S ANYTHING IN THE CHASM
THAT CAN GIVE US INSIGHT INTO THE
ANCIENT MAVERICK'S ARMAMENT.

SIGMA
LEADER OF THE
HUNTERS

I WOULDN'T
GO SO FAR AS
TO LABEL IT
"MAVERICK"
JUST YET.

IT'S A ROGUE
MECHANOID THAT IS
MENACING HUMANS. THAT
IS THE VERY DEFINITION
OF A MAVERICK.

ZERO. VILE. ASSEMBLE
YOUR UNITS AND
RENDEZVOUS WITH X. YOUR
NAVIGATORS WILL PROVIDE
YOU WITH THE
COORDINATES.

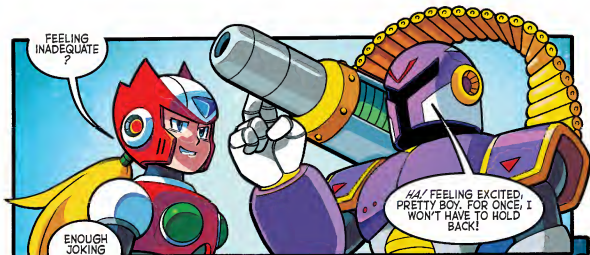
X?
IS HE
HURT?

NO--HE IS YOUR CONTACT
AND WILL APPRISE YOU OF
THE SITUATION. YOU'RE TO
MOVE OUT *IMMEDIATELY*.

ZERO
17TH ELITE
UNIT--
WARRIOR

VILE
17TH ELITE
UNIT--
WEAPONS
EXPERT





...WHAT HAPPENED
HERE SO LONG AGO!*

HIDDEN MESA LAB.
YEAR: 20XX...

**MEGA
MAN!**

SHUNK!

BRIGHT MAN
DR. COSSACK'S
ILLUMINATING
ROBOT

MOVE!
MOVE!

PHAROAH MAN
DR. COSSACK'S
ARCHAEOLOGIST
ROBOT

I THINK
IT JUST
KILLED
MEGA
MAN!

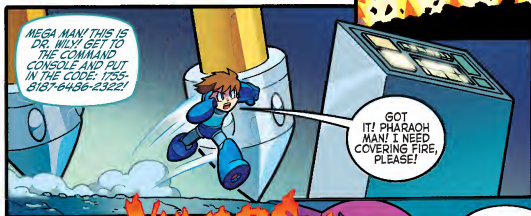
BLAM!

I SURVIVED
RA MOON.* I'M
NOT GOING TO
LET THIS THING
TAKE ME
DOWN!

MEGA MAN
DR. LIGHT'S
SUPER FIGHTING
ROBOT
(AND SON!)

* SEE THE EPIC "BLACKOUT: THE
CURSE OF RA MOON" STORY ARC
FROM MEGA MAN 28-32!

RATATATAT!



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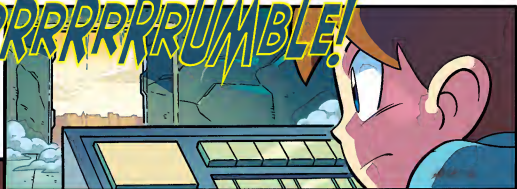
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RRRRRRRUMBLE!



THAT
JUST OPENED THE
DOORS TO THE OUTSIDE!
YOU MADE ME LET
IT LOOSE!

WHA--
NO!

I'M SORRY, MEGA MAN!
IT'S BEEN YEARS SINCE
I WORKED THERE! I WILL
HELP YOU STOP THAT
ABOMINATION!

BLAM!

TRY
THIS NEXT
CODE--



I *CAN'T*!
IT BLEW UP THE
TERMINAL!



WHAM!



LIGHT LABS...

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
THAT SOUNDED LIKE A
NASTY HIT!

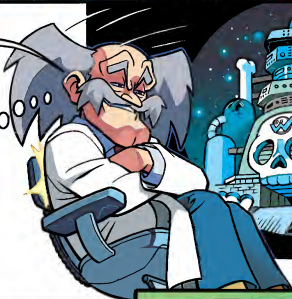
I-I'M FINE... BUT
WE CAN'T KEEP THIS
UP FOR LONG!

DR. ALBERT W.
WILY
(SUPPOSEDLY)
REFORMED MAD
SCIENTIST



DON'T BE SO MODEST!
I'VE SEEN YOU IN
ACTION. HANG IN THERE,
KID! WE'RE WORKING ON
A WAY TO HELP YOU
RIGHT NOW!

EVEN IF YOU SURVIVE THIS,
I'LL SEND YOU ON A WILD
GOOSE CHASE AFTER MY
ROBOT MASTERS AND THE
ENERGY ELEMENTS I HAD
THEM STEAL. THEY'LL TAKE
CARE OF YOU WHILE MY
NEWEST CASTLE IS
FINISHED...



HOLD ON, MEGA MAN!
WE'LL WORK AS FAST
AS WE CAN, BUT IT'S
GOING TO TAKE
TIME!

DR. THOMAS
LIGHT
MEGA MAN'S
CREATOR
(AND FATHER)

...AND IF THEY
SHOULD ALL FALL,
I'LL HAVE ONE
LAST ACE UP MY
SLEEVE BY THEN.
NO MATTER HOW
HARD YOU
STRUGGLE, YOU
LITTLE BLUE BRAT,
I'M ONE STEP
AHEAD OF--





THERE,
NOW THE
OUTSIDE
WORLD IS
SAFE!

AN
ADMIRABLE
SENTIMENT.
HOWEVER...

"...THAT LEAVES US
TRAPPED IN HERE
WITH IT!"

MEANWHILE...

...WHY YES, IT *COULD* BE OPERATIONAL BY THIS WEEK-END. IMAGINE! TIME-TRAVEL AT OUR VERY FINGERTIPS!

SEE YOU IN THE HISTORY BOOKS, AGENTS.

XANDER PAYNE
LEADER OF THE
EMERALD SPEARS
(ANTI-TECHNOLOGY
TERRORISTS)

WE'LL TRY--BUT I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH TIME WE CAN BUY YOU.

YOU'VE GOTTEN IN MY WAY FOR THE LAST TIME!

WHAT...
WHAT AM I SEEING...
?!

DIE,
MEGA
MAN!

D-DO I KNOW YOU...
?

NO, BUT I'VE *KNOWN* ABOUT *YOU* FOR LONGER THAN YOU CAN IMAGINE...

IT'S
...TOO...
MUCH
....



EDITOR'S NOTE:
SEEM FAMILIAR?
SEE MEGA MAN
GN VOLUME 3.



NO
MORE...
NO MORE...
I CAN'T
STAND
IT...



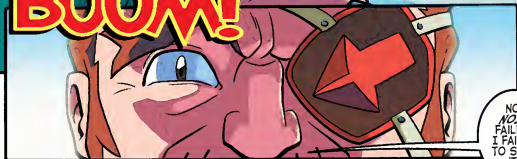
YMWOW!

UGH
...GUY
...OH
MAN...

WHERE...
WHEN...?



BOOM!



NO!
NO! I
FAILED!
I FAILED
TO STOP
IT!



YEAR: 21XX...

IT'S
HAPPENING...!
THE ROBOT
APOCALYPSE
IS UPON
US!



MEGA MAN—
ALIVE!

BUT FOR HOW LONG?
X—RETURNING TO
DR. CAIN AND THE MYSTERY
HE'S UNCOVERED!

XANDER—
A MAN OUT OF TIME,
LIVING HIS
NIGHTMARE!

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NEXT TIME IN **MEGA MAN # 39!**
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Dear Mega-Mail,
I really liked issue #36 because it made Dr. Wily a more three dimensional villain, as opposed to the more typical mad scientist he's usually portrayed as.

Wily is a complicated guy. He's definitely made some bad decisions, and is certainly determined to be recognized for his genius through almost any means necessary. At the same time he has his limits to how much evil he does. It makes him tough to read. He certainly is a wily one, isn't he?! :D

A great thing about the series as a whole is how it brings the video game to life in a way no other adaptation has. It was great to see the construction of the DOC robot and Gamma (although admittedly people should stop building giant robots Dr. Wily can steal and use for global domination). It's a lot of fun to see the scenario for Mega Man 3 play out.

Yeah, the giant robots thing has always been a problem...

I liked Dr. Wily's moral crisis. He's truly flattered that Dr. Light is forgiving of him, but still willing to

take advantage of the situation. This makes him a much more interesting villain if you can relate to him on some level.

One of the key factors of Dr. Wily's character is the history he's had with Dr. Light. They worked together and share a bond of respect for one another that still holds true now. Even though they are often at odds, Dr. Wily still has respect for his rival, but strongly desires to surpass him.

I like the "Time Stopper" moment where he gets to reflect on his dilemma for a moment. It was like something out of "A Christmas Carol".

What a great parallel! Now I'm getting ideas for a holiday special. Dr. Light is obviously Santa, just look at that beard and belly combo!

All in all, a great issue with an awesome characterization of the main villain.

Jonathan G. sent to
MegaMan@ArchieComics.com

Thanks for the letter, Jonathan! We're glad to hear that you're digging the story so far.

Dr. Wily's actions will most definitely affect how things turn out in the future. There's more Dr. Wily goodness heading your way! Keep those eyes peeled!

Dear Mega-Mail,
So I read in the official Capcom blog about the "Dawn of X Fan Art Contest"... Is it still running?

Thank ya!
Jacqueline M. sent to
MegaMan@ArchieComics.com

Thanks for writing to us, Jacqueline! Yes the "Dawn of X Fan Art Contest" is still running! Get your entry in by July 1st to participate. For the full details on the rules and how/where to send your art, check out the nifty flyer within this very comic book!

That's all the room we have! We'll see y'all next time for "Dawn of X" part three of four!

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